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# **Restoration of Clear Lake**

Preparations for the restoration of Clear Lake are moving along better than expected. Most of the affected land owners have been contacted, and are in favor of the project. The problem with water flowing from School Lake into Domeier Lake and on into Clear Lake, causing high water for some agricultural landowners, will be corrected by filling in the ditch between the two lakes. The property owner has also agreed to look at the possibility of putting some of the land between these two lakes into CRP or Rim to alleviate some of the problems with the natural outlet from School Lake filling with sediment. The Sleepy Eye Sportsmens Club has agreed to donate \$1000 towards the Clear Lake restoration. I believe there will be several other area Clubs that will be donating funds to help get this project completed

There hasn't been a lot of activity at the lake this year. Since the aeration system didn't run last year, there was no need to pick up thin ice signs this year. The fishing pier is due to be reinstalled in the lake this spring, hopefully the design has improved and there will be no more problems. There were a lot of dead carp and bullheads scattered along the northeast shore this spring, we should find out how much is left in the lake after

the DNR does some test netting later this spring. Once the weather warms a little we are thinking of doing some cleanup of the beach at the County Park. We will be discussing this at the next meeting and possibly setting a date. If you are interested, come to the next meeting.

# **NUASF YOUTH CHAPTER**

Over the last couple of months we have been discussing the idea of starting a Youth Chapter of our Club for anyone under 16 years of age. There has been quite a bit of interest within the community encouraging us to get more of our area youth involved with all aspects of fishing. We are looking for several members who would be willing to get this Youth Chapter off the ground and guide it into the 21st Century. Tim Renner has already volunteered his expertise, we would like one or two more members willing to work with

these budding fishermen. If you are interested or would like more information, contact Tim Renner at 354-6488 or come to the next meeting.

# **Board of Directors** to expand membership

At our last meeting there was discussion and a motion, which was unanimously approved, to expand our board of directors by two members. The main reason for doing this is the growth of our club. When the Board was established at 4, there were only about 35 members. We now have over 100 members and it was felt that we needed mor representatives from the general membership. Nominations will be accepted until the July meeting, at which tie we will have a vote of select two new Board members. If you are interested or know of someone who would be, come to the next meeting.

# Club Calendar

April 30 Meeting -- Club House - 7:30 P.M.

May 2 Spring CCMR Meeting - Club Grounds

May 28th Meeting TBA

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#### FROM THE PRESIDENT. . .

I hope you all have an opportunity to make the next meeting. We will be discussing our planned "youth" organization and the committee that is working on it will be on hand to discuss progress. Other items include the lst minute killing of the bill that would have outlawed video cameras for fishing and our future actions on it. Our involvement with ditch 36 and a progress report will also be made, as well as, our up coming observation of projects and sites tour and a host of other items that will need to be discussed.

I know a lot of our membership is chomping at the bit to get out and do some fishing. Just keep i mind that the water is quite cold this time of year and all safety considerations should be made to avoid any unpleasant situations.

In this issue of the "Hook, Line and Sinker" there is a invitation to attend the Coalition for a Clean Minnesota River's "Grass Roots Gathering". I hope all of our membership will be on hand to help shape strategy for future actions of CCMR. The organization meeting at 1 p.m. will identify what priorities will guide CCMR in the next phases of Minnesota River restoration efforts. As funders of CCMR, it is crucial that we take an extremely active role, after all, we are one of the few organizations working on efforts to improve the river, that actually uses and promotes the river for recreation. With that in mind I hope you all can be in attendance and enjoy the day that follows.

## Field trip in the planning

Before our June meeting we will be giving a tour, for our newer members, of projects that we have worked on in the past and those we are still working on. There will be more information in next month's newsletter.

#### Food Stands booked for summer

For the first time last fall we tried our hand at running a food stand at one of the local Supermarkets. We got involved late, so we didn't get a very good weekend as it was later in September. We still did pretty good, making about \$150 in two days. This year we got in early enough and got some better dates. We have August 7th and 8th at Cash Wise Foods and September 3 through 6 at Randall Foods. Keep these dates in mind as we will be needing help to run the stands.

#### **Special thanks**

Special thanks to Keith Rosenau for donating the Black Labrador pup which we raffled off at the last meeting.

## Club Clothing For Sale

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#### The NUASF Board

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# CCMR "GRASS ROOTS" RIVER GATHERING

SATURDAY, MAY 2, 1998 1 P.M.• CCMR OFFICE SITE

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• • • DAY'S EVENTS • • •

1 - 3 p.m. CCMR Strategies for the Future

Your input is needed!

3-10 p.m. Open House & Entertainment

Meet our growing family of the watershed Make new friends & meet old friends Hike the Minnesota River bluffs

Bring your instruments and join the band!

4 p.m. A Walk Through the Valley

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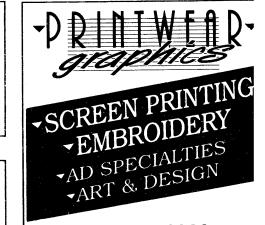
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